

QUESTION TO COME BEFORE CONGRESS

Statesmen Must Decide Theory of Competition in Business.

ALTERNATIVES CONFRONTED

Either Monopoly Must Receive Government License, or Forced Competition Be Invoked.

Washington, August 14.—Is competition worth saving? Or is there power enough in government to save it?

Has the time come when combination, co-ordination, consolidation must be recognized as the destiny of the business world in future?

Are we to have monopoly, under regulation, or another period of effort, through anti-trust laws and the like, to compel competition?

Such are the fundamental, vital questions which will be taken up for serious consideration when, on November 15, the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce assembles in Washington for a long series of hearings preparatory to developing a business-control policy for the nation. The future of the anti-trust act will hang in the balance.

It is proposed to get the best opinion in the country as to the course which future governmental policy ought to take. Judge Gray, George W. Perkins and other eminent advocates of industrial freedom under governmental control, will be invited to develop their ideas to the uttermost extent. These men have taken the position that competition is an impossible rule; that it cannot be enforced; that it is contrary to the laws of both the natural and the social world; that it is destructive and anti-social.

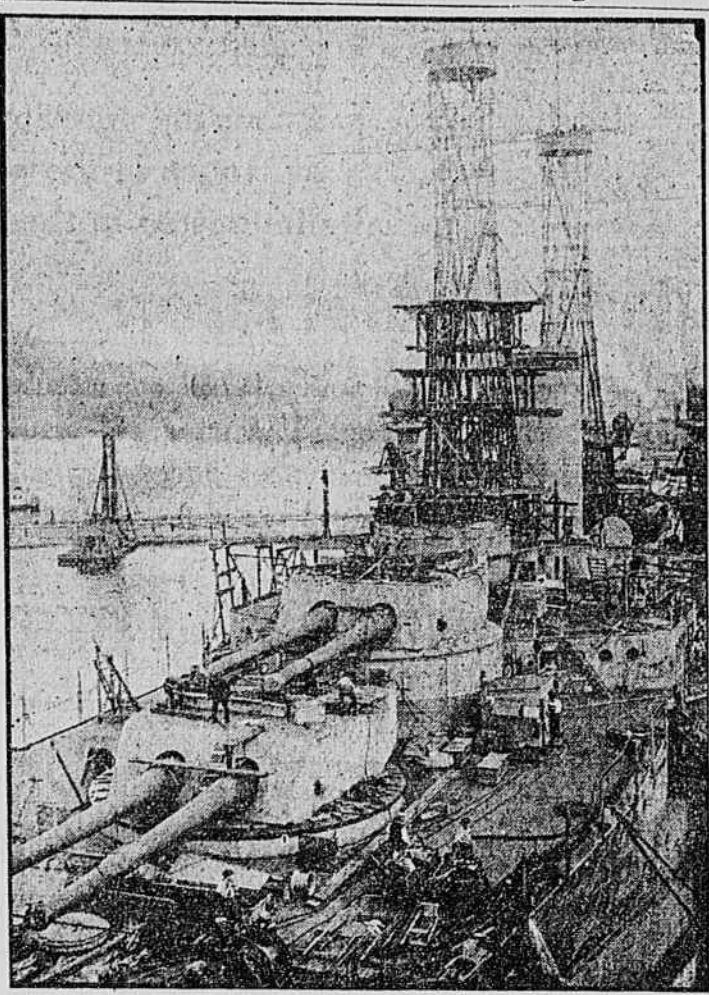
On the other hand, those old-fashioned economists who stand on the ancient adage that "competition is the life of trade," will be asked to present their case, and especially to suggest methods by which competition can be preserved and compelled to do the work which the older school of economists apportioned to it.

In Competition Decided. "These will be the most important hearings that have been conducted by any government authority in many years," declared a member of the Interstate Commerce Committee to-day. "The question has been brought fairly before the country, whether we shall try to preserve and strengthen the old order, or whether we shall admit that despite all efforts at its preservation competition has died and cannot be resuscitated."

That this acute issue must ultimately be presented for the decision of the men who make national politics, has been apparent for a number of years. The decisions in the Standard Oil and tobacco trust cases, together with the persistent, vigorous efforts of the Taft administration to enforce the Sherman act, have brought the issue to an acute phase just at this time.

The administration's policy of enforcing the anti-trust act is criticized from many points of view. Some of the men who insist that they fully believe in the policy of that law, pro-

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CHARLOTTE TO EXTEND WATER WORKS SYSTEM

Charlotte, N. C., August 14.—The city of Charlotte, through the Finance Committee, to-day accepted the bid of the American Trust Company, a local banking concern, for the entire issue of \$200,000 in bonds for the extension

of the water-works system. The successful bidder pays a premium of \$1,500. There were three other bids opened. The sale of the bonds to-night was confirmed by the Board of Aldermen.

consideration. The prejudiced that a few years ago would have been aroused against whatever proposal such men of great affairs would advance has been notably absent.

There has been apparent an openness of mind, candor of consideration, a sincerity of purpose to learn the truth and do the right thing, such as has never before attended consideration of the issues relating to great consolidations of capital and business.

Welcomed by Socialists. These men who insist that business shall be permitted to organize itself in whatever forms and aggregations prove most practicable, and that, thus organized, it shall be subjected to the most detailed public supervision, are, of course, largely in harmony with the Socialists. So it falls out that Messrs. Perkins and Gary have received most glowing endorsements from many of the most radical sociologists and economists. They have been hailed as the real prophets of the new economic religion; the men who not only believe, but have proved their faith by their works. It is a curious new alignment, and its significance is the subject of widespread inquiry among public men.

At any rate, the weeks since the two great trust decisions have brought Congress to accept that something must be done. The anti-trust act must be either wiped out and regulatory measures substituted, or else it must be strengthened so that it will actually serve its avowed purpose of preserving competition. Between these two opposing views of a proper policy the contest will be waged, first in the hearings that are to begin next November and later in the halls of Congress.

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UNITE IN EFFORT TO ARREST MOB LEADERS

Borough, County and State Officials Search for Evidence Against Men Implicated in Walker Lynching.

Coatesville, Pa., August 14.—No arrests have yet been made in connection with the lynching of Zach Walker, who last night was dragged on a bed from a hospital to be burned alive on the outskirts of the town.

The authorities of Chester county, it is said, to-night are in possession of a list of about thirty names of men who are alleged to have been the ring-leaders of the mob. Warrants, if any are issued, will not be sworn out until the investigation has been completed.

Borough, county and State officials are uniting in an effort to bring the leaders of the mob to justice, but it is alleged that some of the leading citizens of the town are involved, and arrests will not be hastily made.

Resolutions deploring the outrage were adopted at a special meeting of the Borough Council to-night by the Business Men's Association.

Although the burgess of Coatesville reported that he would be able to handle the situation without assistance, Sheriff Golder asked that the Governor send a squad of State troopers here. Acting upon this request, Captain John C. Groome ordered Captain Wilhelm and nineteen troopers to proceed to Coatesville at once. This squad left Pottsville at 7 P. M. and reached here before midnight. Sheriff Golder and District Attorney Robert S. Gawthorp, of West Chester, to-day took guard at Walker's bedside when the mob arrived, and a colored hospital attendant to West Chester, twelve miles across country and put them through a severe cross-examination in an effort to learn the identity of the men who carried the mob's victim from the hospital.

In his statement, Howe said that a signal was given in front of the hospital by a pistol being fired. Then a brick was thrown through a window and the mob entered.

"I was overpowered at once and could do nothing against the odds," he said.

Everything is quiet here to-night. Mrs. Annie Rice, widow of the murdered policeman, to-day declared that Walker had gotten just what he deserved. Her only regret seemed to be that she had not been permitted to light the pyre on which the colored man met his death.

Philadelphia, Pa., August 14.—Governor Tener, while here to-night en route to Baltimore, declared that those responsible for last night's mob violence at Coatesville must be prosecuted vigorously, and that if the local authorities failed to promptly take action against the ring-leaders a special investigation would be ordered by him.

BOYS INCITED TO CRIME BY DIME NOVEL STORIES. Cleveland Gang Detected in the Act of Burglarking Grocery Store.

Cleveland, O., August 14.—Stirred to deeds of violence and crime by reading sensational dime novels, and their minds further poisoned by constant cigarette smoking and an all-consuming admiration of bandits and burglars, the lawless careers of three Cleveland boys ended when they were interrupted while burglarizing a grocery store on the South Side.

Bandits Open Fire. Patrolman Ralph Jaekel, thirty-five years old, who unexpectedly came in on the boys, was shot through the left lung and is not expected to live.

His return fire wounded one of the boys, Jaroslav Koretski, aged fifteen, whose death is also momentarily expected. The other two youthful bandits, Frederick Mauer, aged sixteen, and John Gerlsky, seventeen, were later captured by detectives.

The three boys were inside the store gathering up plunder in baskets when Jaekel, in making his rounds, found the rear door of Otto Sell's grocery, on Pearl Road, open. With a revolver in his left hand and pushing open the door with right, the policeman was just entering when young Gerlsky fired one shot from a .44 calibre revolver.

Make Dash for Liberty. Jaekel fell and the boys jumped over his body and ran away. As they were running Jaekel fired five shots at them in the darkness, wounding Koretski.

In April, 1910, Geslsky shot and almost killed Roy Koebele, a companion, while they were playing "Indian." Koebele finally recovered and Geslsky, after a hearing in the Juvenile Court, was given his freedom.

RACE WAR RUMOR PROVED UNTRUE

Intense Excitement Is Caused by Sending of Forged Telegrams.

Durant, Okla., August 14.—The circulation of reports that a white woman had been assaulted and killed by a negro near Halsell this afternoon, and that fifty armed negroes had captured a southbound Missouri, Kansas and Texas freight train, headed for Durant, following closely the death of Mrs. Reddell Campbell as the result of an assault by a negro, and the killing of her slayer and the burning of his body, threw this district of the county into a fever of excitement to-night. Investigation proved the rumors untrue.

Telegram were received here to-night, supposedly bearing the signature of the conductor of the freight train, which, it was said, had been captured by armed blacks, and hundreds of armed men met the train at Caddo, only to learn that there were no negroes aboard the train.

Five hundred men armed themselves in Durant and prepared to meet the train when it arrived here. Before its arrival, they learned, however, that the information in the telegram was false, and, while there was great excitement, no trouble followed the wild rumors.

In the meantime, headed by Sheriff Hamilton, a posse of fifty men had gone in automobiles to investigate the report of the assault. They returned shortly before the arrival of the train, their investigation proving the story without foundation.

The authorities here are unable to-night to locate the source of the rumors.

KEPT ON TIPTOE OF EXCITEMENT. (Continued From First Page.)

books have been unable to recover it, and it is believed it cannot be brought to the surface.

The motor boat was more than a mile away when Hammond's engine stopped, and he dived into the lake.

With the aid of his inflated automobile tire, Hammond easily kept afloat until he reached the boat.

GAYNOR PERFORMS CEREMONY. Mayor Officiates at Nuptials of Carl Axhausen and Miss Wehlicke.

New York, August 14.—Mayor Gaynor to-day performed the marriage ceremony for Carl Bruno Bernhardt Axhausen, a banker of Berlin, thirty-six years of age, and Elizabeth Wehlicke, daughter of Ernest Wehlicke, of this city. The father of the bride is a friend of the Mayor. The couple will sail for Germany Saturday.

TO ROUND UP QUORUM. Board of Aldermen Anxious to Clean Big Docket To-Night.

City Clerk Ben T. August and Sergeant-at-Arms George C. Ruskell, of the City Council, are making special efforts to secure a quorum of the Board of Aldermen for to-night. The various matters to come up are not of general interest, but there are a number of special matters of more than usual importance. Several permits of a routine character are pending, which are delaying valuable public improve-

ments, the nature of which requires Council action. From the Common Council will come a number of papers of this character, to which there is no objection, but on which action should be taken at once in order that the property-owners affected may know what to expect and may go forward with their plans. The lower branch has so far failed of a two-thirds vote on two nights, and will probably be called later in the month, when it is known that a sufficient number of members are in the city. Meanwhile it is hoped that a majority of the Board may be acted on with a sufficient vote to secure their adoption.

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TRAVELING MAN COMMITS SUICIDE

Norfolk, Va., August 14.—Benjamin K. Rhyder, a traveling salesman from Littleton, N. C., committed suicide at the Lynnhaven Hotel late to-day. A bell boy found the body lying across a bed in the room occupied by Rhyder. There was a bullet hole in the head. The weapon used was a cheap twenty-two-calibre revolver. Rhyder was about thirty years of age.

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